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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, petition of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to the filing of a biennial report by the Secretary of Public Safety of firearms-related statistics. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## PETITION OF:

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO A REPORT OF FIREARMS-RELATED STATISTICS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 18 ¾ of chapter 6A of the General Laws, as appearing
- 2 in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding, at the
- 3 end thereof, the following new item:—
- 4 (9) to develop a biennial report to be sent to the clerks of the
- 5 house and senate, the house and senate committees on ways and
- 6 means, the joint committee on public safety, and the joint com-
- 7 mittee on criminal justice on March 1 of every other year begin-
- 8 ning in 2006. Said report shall contain, but not be limited to,
- 9 comprehensive information and statistics related to firearms
- 10 crimes and arrests and prosecutions of firearms-related offenses,
- 11 to serve as an examination of the effectiveness of the common-
- 12 wealth's firearms-related regulations. Said report shall include,
- 13 but not be limited to, an explanation of substantial changes in
- 13 state and federal firearms-related laws and firearms-related statis-
- 15 tics in the commonwealth.

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